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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

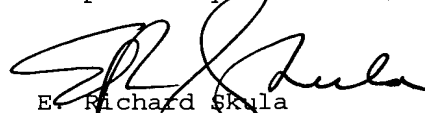
Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2004 for three(3) month(s) from August 20, 2004 to November 20, 2005. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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